

DISTRICT COURT - DELAYS

3267. Hon Nigel Hallett to the parliamentary secretary representing the Attorney General

With reference to the Department of Public Prosecutions -

- (1) For each available month of 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004 and 2005 can you please detail (where possible) the -
- (a) shortest;
 - (b) longest; and
 - (c) average;
- delay for criminal matters in the District Court?

Hon SUE ELLERY replied:

The following table sets out the shortest, longest and average delay for criminal matters in the District Court in each financial year based on the information system maintained in the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions. That system cannot produce these figures on a monthly basis:

Details	2000/01	2001/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05
Minimum finalised period (weeks)	2	1	1	1	1
Maximum finalised period (weeks)	281	290	332	371	364
Average finalised period (weeks)	40	43	46	48	54